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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION GHANA

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GOVERNMENT-OWNED MEDIA COMMENTING ON EVENTS IN VIETNAM REFER TO VIETCONG AND INVADING NORTH VIETNAMESE AS "NATIONALIST FORCES", TO SOUTH VIETNAM GOVERNMENT AS "PUPPET REGIME OF SOUTH VIETNAM." GHANA TV APRIL 12 AIRED FOOTAGE FROM HUE SHOWING TRIUMPHANT RECEPTION ACCORDED "NATIONALIST LIBERATION FORCES." REFUGEES PICTURED POURING BACK INTO HUE. FLOWERS, CANDY, BABY-KISSING AND ALL THAT. SAME TV PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS USSR EXHIBIT IN SUNYANI, BRONG AHAFO REGIONAL CAPITAL. OTHER FOOTAGE FROM EAST GERMAN, WHILE PICTURING WALL ALONG BORDER SEPARATING GERMANIES, DECLARES THAT WITH SIGNING OF GDR-FRG AGREEMENT BOTH GERMANIES HAVE IRONED OUT DIFFERENCES AND NOW ONCE AGAIN "ARE ABLE TO LIVE AS ONE PEOPLE." TV FEATURING USIS-SPONSORED REMOTE SENSING CONFERENCE CANCELLED FOR "TECHNICAL REASONS." FYI: COMMISSIONER FOR INFORMATION RETURNED LAST WEEK FROM TUNIS AND PARIS WHERE HE WITNESSED DEMONSTRATIONS OF FRENCH SECAM COLOR TV SYSTEM. GHANA'S MINISCULE INDEPENDENT PRESS PROTESTS THAT GHANA NEEDS AND CAN AFFORD COLOR TV LIKE HOLE IN HEAD. WEEKLY ECHO WHICH SUSTAINED THIS POSITION FAILED TO APPEAR THIS WEEK BECAUSE OF "DELAY IN UNCLASSIFIED

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